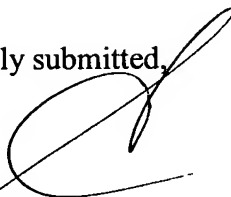


The Examiner states that the evidence of secondary considerations of market success submitted September 11, 2006 are not of sufficient influence to overcome the obviousness rejections. The Examiner states that an important factor in determining the market success attributable to product improvements would be whether the double sided adhesive tape roll of 3M was sold in pet stores prior to 1996 and was it ever placed in a way to attract cat owners for its specific use as a cat deterrent. There is no evidence in the record that the 3M product was not marketed to cat owners. Therefore applicant respectfully requests an affidavit supporting the personal knowledge the Examiner relied on to presume that the 3M double sided adhesive tape roll was not ever marketed to cat owners for the specific use as a cat deterrent.

Should it facilitate allowance of the Application, the Office is invited to telephone the undersigned agent of record.

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